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**THE WEATHER**  
Oregon—Fair, warmer, southwest, colder in east portion.

**OUR BEST WISHER.**  
With this, the 1200th number of the Morning Astorian, it sends out its best and most earnest good will to the community it has represented so faithfully for the past 33 years. It leaves the press, this morning, with only the deepest confidence in, and the brightest hope for, the future of the city it helped to build, and with the pledge of its continued support and contributive faculty, ready, spontaneously so, in every emergency that may arise, as well as in the quiet routine of its development.

It has never relinquished its conviction that Astoria has, by the right of natural prerogative, as well as by the commanding right of a clever and ambitious people, a destiny that may not be circumscribed by the paltry competitions of the hour; but which must, in the fulness of time, yield her a rank and range of commercial influence second to no coast city on the Pacific. With this as an ultimate proposition, it will fight, as it has fought, honestly, consistently, vigorously, to the end of its career, on this plane and leave nothing undone that shall make for that high end.

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**MAN'S BIRTHRIGHT HIS SUPREME CLAIM**  
Clever Article on Doctrine Set Forth by Dr. Owens-Adair  
Man's Birthright.  
Editor Morning Astorian:  
I insist that I am entitled to certain inalienable rights of birth, due to me from that generation which preceded and brought me into existence. I am the innocent product of that part of human society; and upon them devolved the responsibility of giving me all possible advantages to wage the battle of life successfully. I am entitled to a sound body, untainted by ill sinfully contracted by my progenitors. I am entitled to a clear intellect, undimmed by reason of alcoholic and toxic drug addiction on the part of those who incidentally or intentionally procreated my brain. I am entitled to natural tendencies toward that which is uplifting to the human race, unimpeded by degenerative habits wrongfully contracted by any one instrumental in my advent. I am entitled to parents who are not degrading to me by reason of being criminals, hampering my progress toward high ideals by unmerited disgrace.

The right to all possible assistance in being better, smarter, healthier, and more noble, from those who have immediately preceded me, is my birth-right, and if I have not been accorded my rights, and if you have not been accorded your rights, then it is high time that we, as responsible members of human society, endeavor to provide against such monstrous wrongs being perpetrated against children yet unborn.

Theorists may proclaim these truths, and philosophers may admit them, but through the medical profession must come the practical methods of securing results if they are ever to be achieved. "Undesirable citizens" should not be propagated. If the family does not properly control the product to this end, society should step in and control the family by means which will insure the desired result. Habitual criminals have no right to propagate children with criminal tendencies, and people who are afflicted with disease which we know renders their offspring weaklings, should not want to bring unfortunate into the world to live a life of suffering, short though it may be. This matter has been called idealistic and visionary, but is not. It is the human perfection in practical way. Punishment for crime has been largely in the nature of revenge, and is entirely wrong. As an example, which will deter future commission, and as a corrective of criminal tendency, punishment may be of some service to society, but a punishment which will actually prevent future crime is of far greater service to mankind. What more logical and appropriate punishment for rape than sterilization? When, from some un-

fortunate physical condition, a man should be prevented from procreating, how proper and at the same time personally beneficial it would be, to occlude the spermatic ducts by a drop of carbolic acid hypodermically injected, turning back the secretion to reinforce the vital powers while reproduction is stopped.

How illogical is restriction of marriage! If marriage had no other motive than reproduction, then restriction might be right. And if reproduction could be restricted to wedlock, restriction might be right. But there is a sweet companionship in wedlock not based upon sexuality which human beings have a right to enjoy. Medical science can painlessly, perfectly, easily and properly prevent the propagation of both physical and moral degenerates, if directed to do so by the laws of the land. Society has the right to make rules for its welfare, and what line of procedure could be more uplifting to the race than eliminating physically, mentally and morally imperfect members by wise and righteous prevention. The earth is fast approaching human repletion, and the quantity of human beings is of far less importance than quality. Procreation being based upon physical tendencies almost exclusively, the majority of the product naturally comes from those in the lower grades of society, and from families restricted by poverty from many of the advantages which a child should be entitled to receive.

A properly bred and well brought up individual is a great advantage to society, but a degenerate is a burden for which there is no good excuse. It is absolutely incompatible with right to destroy the degenerate or infirm, but human sympathy and nobility of spirit are not outraged by proper and wise prevention. How truly appropriate the admonition given to the violator of equal law as he arises from the operating table, "Go and sin no more."

It is a well known fact that the sterilized man soon becomes mild-mannered and to a certain extent effeminate, a change in the tendencies of almost any criminal which would be truly desirable and greatly to be wished for. While the man who is thus simply treated not only retains all of his manly vigor the vivifying influence of retained material having the highest known vital composition. Thus the two methods serve to correct wrong in either case appropriately, punishing the guilty by a penalty which is truly abhorrent, while acting as an effective preventive of progeny, and improving the physical chances of the unfortunate invalid while protecting society against propagation of his infirmity.

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